

REMARKS

In the OFFICE ACTION dated October 1, 2003, Claims 26-29 and 31-38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by US Pat. No. 6508910 or US Pat. No. 6440257. Applicant amends the claims so that they are no longer anticipated by either of these references. Specifically, claims 26 and 35 now require that the thermosetting resin comprises a tetrafunctional epoxy. Claims 27 and 36 now require that the curing agent comprises dicyandiamide. Claims 28 and 37 now require that the curing agent include both dicyandiamide and 3,3'-diaminodiphenylsulfone. Claims 29 and 38 now require that the viscosity control agent comprises micronized polyethersulfone. The '910 or '257 patents no longer anticipate these claims, as now amended. Accordingly, applicant requests the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Claims 1-38 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-32 of US Pat. No. 6,508,910. Applicant submits herewith a TERMINAL DISCLAIMER with respect to the '910 patent to overcome this rejection.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, applicant respectfully requests that this application be reexamined and allowed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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